

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others, and each of these attributes can be applied to Jo Ann Mickelson; and,

*Whereas*, Jo Ann has given over 42 years of dedicated service to the entire Wilmot community through her work as a librarian; and,

*Whereas*, Jo Ann, now 85 years young, has spent most of her adult life in the Wilmot community where she first served as an English and music teacher in the Wilmot High School in 1952 and has touched the lives of thousands of people in the Wilmot community; and,

*Whereas*, The Wilmot Public Library has flourished under Jo Ann's guidance with exceptional circulation and assistance in summer reading and weekly story hour programs; and,

*Whereas*, Jo Ann has distinguished herself as a beloved friend and is highly regarded as a trusted and valued resource to the Wilmot Public Library, where her service and contributions to the people of South Dakota are immeasurable and cannot be overstated; and,

*Whereas*, On November 20, 2015, Jo Ann is retiring to spend more time with her children and their families, as well as her many friends in the Wilmot community; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of an outstanding South Dakotan to honor and celebrate her on this momentous occasion:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 30, 2015, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with her colleagues, family, and friends in wishing her a fulfilling and happy retirement.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Shantel Krebs*  
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State